

Human Relations Task Force

Tuesday, August 2, 2011

Minutes

I. Roll Call: 6:55

Present: Chancellor, Dagley, Dekle, Goldenberg, Nees, Jackle,

Late: Rodriguez

Absent: Inouye, Garrick

II. Welcoming Remarks by Alan Chancellor, Vice Chair

Chancellor welcomed the TF members to the meeting and welcomed the guests in attendance, HB City Councilman Joe Shaw and Judith Sobel and Lynne Horn from the Greater Huntington Beach Interfaith Council.

III. Public Comments: (Three minutes per speaker)

Councilman Shaw provided the TF with information about his plans to create an event at the HB Library that will feature the film "Teach Your Children Well". The 45 minute film is about bullying and presents the audience with the viewpoint from students who have experienced bullying. Councilman Shaw asked the TF if they would co-sponsor the event with the Orange County Equality Coalition. Dekle volunteered to liaise with Councilman Shaw on behalf of the TF.

Motion: For the HBHRTF to co-sponsor the film "Teach Your Children Well" which will be screened at the HB Library in September or October and to appoint a committee to liaise with Councilman Shaw.

Moved: Nees, Second, Dekle

Approved 6, No 0, Absent 3 (Inouye, Garrick, Rodriguez)

Lynn Horn with the Interfaith Council informed the TF of a program sponsored by the Anti Defamation League that will train local school teachers to work with students about diversity issues. Ms. Horn will converse with the ADL representatives to discuss funding opportunities and return to the TF with more information.

Ms. Horn and Ms. Sobel also noted that the Interfaith Council was forming a committee in order to promote and educate the community about diversity, with a focus on elementary schools. They expressed their interest in working with the TF and will provide further information at the next meeting.

IV. Motion to Approve Minutes: July 5, 2011

Moved: Dagley, Second Nees

Approved 6, No 0, Absent 3 (Inouye, Garrick, Rodriguez)

V. Special Reports/Presentations:

None

VI. Status Reports:

1. HRTF Donation account balance

City liaison Kuhnke reported a balance of \$1,401.64

2. Hate Crimes/Incidents for July 2011, including update on prior crimes/incidents

HBPD liaison Sgt. Dierking reported that there was one hate crime during July. The victim, an African American resident of an apartment complex, had a swastika carved on her mailbox. The HBPD consulted with the victim and investigated the crime. At this time no perpetrator has been identified.

3. Orange County Human Relations (OCHR) News/Activities

No report was given due to Inouye's absence

4. Coordinating Council (CC) Activities

No report since the CC is on summer hiatus.

VII. Updates, Planning, and Possible Motions pertaining to the following events/programs:

1. HRTF Student Representative Programs

Chancellor reported with schools in summer recess the education committee is in the planning stages for the coming school year. Chancellor has met with Jason Ross at HBHS to discuss upcoming programs and opportunities. A bus trip is being organized to transport students to Chapman University's Museum of Tolerance. Students are being recruited with efforts to transport up to 2 buses of students to the University.

Planning is proceeding for the Bridges program and planning for activities with the PLI with Roxanna Jimenez supporting that effort. Don Han reported to Chancellor that Ocean View High School will be participating in the Bridges Program for the upcoming school year.

2. HB Reads Activities

Dagley reported that HBReads has selected its 2012 book and the author will be coming to HB in March of 2012. HBReads is soliciting donations for the program and activities to support the book will be planned as the year progresses.

3. HRTF Fundraising Activities

Dagley reported the fund raising letter is being put together with the help of Ralph Bauer. The letter will be distributed throughout the community to raise funds for the TF.

4. Federal Diversity Month planning and activities

Dekle reported the October 15 date will need to be pushed back into the spring of 2012 to spend more time planning and securing funds for the Unity in the Community event. Dekle advised Councilman Shaw she will schedule a meeting with him to discuss city support of the event.

VIII. New Business and Possible motions pertaining to:

None

IX. Task Force Member Comments:

Dagley thanked Councilman Shaw for his support of the TF and indicated that he would do all that he could to assist the TF in its development of the Unity in the Community event.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30